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Crop Progress and Condition



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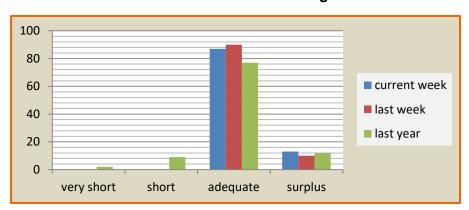
<u>Agricultural News:</u> Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.2. Weather conditions were cooler as cold fronts moved across the State. Some areas had snow. Farming activities this week included planting crops, making hay, and vaccinating livestock.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 04/19/20

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
	%	%	%	%	
Topsoil	-	-	87	13	
Subsoil	-	2	92	6	
Hay & Roughage	-	9	85	6	
Feed grain	-	4	96	-	

⁻Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 04/19/20



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 04/19/20

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	1	18	73	8
Peaches	-	-	20	80	-
Hay	5	4	24	64	3
Winter Wheat	-	-	19	71	10
Pasture	2	8	36	49	5
Cattle & Calves	-	1	10	83	6
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	18	78	3

⁻ Represents zero.

CROP/LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 04/19/20

Crop/Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg	
	%	%	%	%	
Corn planted	7	3	10	7	
Soybeans planted	3	-	1	1	
Winter Wheat headed	7	4	-	5	
Calved	90	82	89	85	
Lambed	91	85	88	87	

⁻ Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending April 19, 2020

Cooler conditions persisted across the State during the week. A couple of strong cold fronts passed over early and mid-week, creating some very cold temperatures for this time of the year. Nearly all stations dropped into the 20s at some point, and most stations dropped below freezing during the week. Most high temperatures were in the 60s, with a few stations reaching the 70s. Overall, all stations were around 10 degrees below normal and the state average was nearly 10 degrees below the previous week. The majority of the precipitation recorded during the week fell as the cold fronts moved over the State. About half the stations were over average, while the others fell just short. The Northcentral part of the State received the most precipitation, while the Eastern Panhandle and the Southern coalfields were generally drier.

<u>Temperatures</u>: Martinsburg had the highest recorded temperature of 75 degrees. White Sulphur Springs had the lowest recorded temperature of 22 degrees. The state average temperature was 43 degrees.

<u>Precipitation:</u> Clarksburg had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.50 inches. Keyser had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.45 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.86 of an inch

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 04/19/20

	Temperature and Precipitation Data for the				Precipitation				
			•	eekly	We	eek's	Since April 1st	Same Week	Season
Station	High	Low	Average	Departure	Total	Norm	2020	Last Year	Normal
NORTHWEST									
WHEELING	63	29	41	-11	0.79	0.66	2.57	0.95	2.15
PARKERSBURG	62	28	43	-11	0.98	0.73	2.45	1.23	2.30
CRESTON	64	29	44		1.06		3.44	0.96	
NORTHCENTRAL									
MORGANTOWN	59	30	42	-11	1.13	0.80	3.28	1.95	2.47
CLARKSBURG	66	31	44	-9	1.50	0.84	3.75	1.97	2.59
BELINGTON	63	27	42		0.91		3.29	1.35	
WESTON	67	30	43		1.12		4.20	1.79	
SOUTHWEST									
WILLIAMSON	72	32	47		0.64		3.73	1.06	
HUNTINGTON	66	29	44	-13	0.73	0.77	2.51	1.36	2.36
CHARLESTON	67	27	44	-12	0.86	0.72	4.81	1.39	2.20
RIPLEY	65	27	44		1.16		3.33	0.96	
CENTRAL									
TERRA ALTA	57	23	38		1.42		3.53	2.18	
ELKINS	69	25	42	-8	1.20	0.86	3.90	1.47	2.64
MARLINTON	64	24	40		0.47		3.78	1.61	
SOUTHERN									
BECKLEY	66	23	41	-11	0.55	0.77	3.90	1.14	2.29
PINEVILLE	72	25	43		0.91		4.40	1.66	
BLUEFIELD	66	26	42	-13	0.75	0.77	4.62	1.51	2.27
WHITE SUL SP	65	22	43		0.57		3.64	1.87	
BLUESTONE DAM	67	27	44		0.62		4.11	1.54	
NORTHEASTERN									
MARTINSBURG	75	28	45	-8	0.57	0.74	2.13	1.34	2.34
KEYSER	72	26	44		0.45		2.32	1.57	
MOOREFIELD	69	27	45		0.54		2.35	1.88	

State Average Temperature 43 State Average Precipitation 0.86

Source:

Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.